

**Amendments to the Specification:**

At page 1, please **replace** the title of the invention as follows:

-- N-ARYL PIPERIDINE SUBSTITUTED BIPHENYLCARBOXAMIDES AS  
INHIBITORS OF APOLIPOPROTEIN B --

Please add the following new paragraph on page 1, between the Title and line 4:

-- **Cross Reference to Related Applications**

This application is the US national stage of Application No.  
PCT/EP2004/053280, filed December 6, 2004, which application claims priority from  
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